

## **Community Investment Scenario Development - Foundational Considerations**

### **1. Community Trends & Challenges Ahead -**

Relevance to Future Public Infrastructure Investment Priorities (PSC meeting on 05/02/13)

**Relevance of community trend & challenge ahead to future public infrastructure investment priorities for Wichita and Sedgwick County** (1 being least relevant; 5 being most relevant):

#### Fiscal/Economic

- Diminishing state and federal funding available for new construction and/or replacement of Wichita and Sedgwick County public facilities and infrastructure.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, 3, **4**, 5      ★ ★ ★ ★
- Growing structural imbalance (gap) between slowing Wichita and Sedgwick County revenues and the rising cost of maintaining existing City and County public facilities and infrastructure.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, 3, **4**, 5      ★ ★ ★ ★
- External factors and mandates will dictate some future Wichita and Sedgwick County public infrastructure spending priorities.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, 3, **4**, 5      ★ ★ ★ ★
- Rising fuel and energy prices significantly increase capital, operational and maintenance cost associated with city and county public facilities and infrastructure.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, **3**, 4, 5      ★ ★ ★
- Wichita and Sedgwick County faces a new era of market globalization and competition with other communities regionally, nationally and globally.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, **3**, 4, 5      ★ ★ ★
- Employment growth rate in Wichita and Sedgwick County over the next 20 years is forecast to increase at an annual average rate slightly less than 1 percent.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, **3**, 4, 5      ★ ★ ★

#### Demographic

- Future 2035 population growth estimates for Wichita range between 444,000 and 452,000; for Sedgwick County, the estimates range between 593,000 and 610,000.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, 3, **4**, 5      ★ ★ ★ ★
- Shifting demographics - impacts of the growth in minority populations.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, **3**, 4, 5      ★ ★ ★
- Shifting demographics - impacts of an aging population.  
Relevance Score\*      1, 2, **3**, 4, 5      ★ ★ ★
- Shifting demographics - impacts of changes in the traditional family and the rise in single person households.  
Relevance Score\*      1, **2**, 3, 4, 5      ★ ★

\*Score reflects most votes by the PSC members